



Inter-County Belt Freeway

(Ed. Note: The new Inter-County Belt Freeway, now being planned by the state of Maryland as a main artery across Montgomery and Prince Georges Counties and on into Southeast Washington, will run through Greenbelt. However, the location of the right of way through the city has not yet been set. It appears now that the State Roads Commission and its Planning Engineer are anxious to have the matter settled as soon as possible.)

Roger Willcox, president of Greenbelt Community Builders, Inc., which is promoting the new cooperative housing developments in Greenbelt, is informed on the matter. Since, as he points out, Greenbelt is severely affected by where the right of way shall be located, he has written the following letter to the Cooperator so that Greenbelt residents may become aware of the issue at stake. We print below his letter on the subject and formally endorse his viewpoint.)

If the route recommended by the Bureau of Public Roads is adopted, it will cross Southway in the front yard of the American Legion Home (actually taking a small piece of American Legion land for the right of way), then continue north-westward, crossing and wiping out Indian Springs park, then continuing to intersect the Bladensburg-Beltsville road at the point where the outfall of Greenbelt Lake goes through a culvert at which point some 15 acres of land will be taken for a cloverleaf, then cutting off the lower third of the sewage treatment plant land before continuing on past the warehouses towards the B & O Railroad right of way.

This right of way would cut in two the largest tract of the vacant land acquired by Greenbelt Veteran Housing Corporation, making its integrated development as a neighborhood impossible and destroying the plans for its development proposed by Hale Walker as modified by FCH Company. It would also destroy Indian Springs park, or so damage it by its 250' right of way with four-lane divided center earth fill across the park that the park would be useless except as a roadside park haven. Unless an underpass was built which is not now contemplated, it would force all Junior High school students in Greenbelt to go around by way of Southway to get to their school. Crescent Road which is the main access route to at least the northern half of Greenbelt, would have its junction with the Beltsville Road all mixed up with the cloverleaf to the Belt Freeway, so that vehicles would have to stop and enter a main traffic artery close to several other traffic lanes. And perhaps worst of all from a dollar standpoint to the City, the necessary expansion of the Sewage Treatment Plant which FCH Company is now studying with the aid of a grant from the Land Account funds, would be made much more difficult because part of the cloverleaf would cut off the best part of the potential area for expansion.

An alternate route has been worked out with Mr. Giaque, Planning Engineer for the M-NC P and P Commission and Mr. Pritchard of the State Roads Commission. It would cross Southway several hundred feet west of the American Legion Home, would pass just south of the Indian Springs Cemetery, and would have a cloverleaf intersection with the Beltsville Road between the High School and the Sewage Treatment Plant, and would then proceed through PHA-owned land to the railroad. This route is practical, avoids the difficulties of the other route with respect to Indian Springs Park, Crescent Road and the Sewage Treatment Plant, and makes possible integrated neighborhood planning of the area between the American Legion Home and Greenbelt Lake. A plan of this neighborhood, with the highway taken into consideration, has been given to GVHC Board members.

The alternate route will, however, cost somebody some more money. The State Roads Commission doesn't want to take anything except the "cheapest" route. If somebody else will make this alternate "cheaper", they'll be glad to take it. The question now before Greenbelt is — how much, if anything, can be given to the Commission to persuade them that the alternate route is better? One suggestion is that Greenbelt residents just object to the original location. An alternative suggested by some of the officials we have dealt with is that GVHC agree to sell the land for the alternate route with the price dependent to some extent on how much an outside engineering firm estimates the alternate route will cost in excess of what the original route will cost. There is merit to this suggestion in my opinion, since in fact the land for the alternate route is so located that it will not be too expensive in terms of missed opportunities as for GVHC.

ROGER WILLCOX,
General Manager, FCH Company, Inc.

Covered-Dish Supper At Community Church

Sunday, January 17, the first of three Sunday night Family Covered-Dish Suppers will be held in Community Church Social Hall. The suppers are being sponsored by the World Outreach (Missionary) Committee of the Board of Deacons, Mrs. Robert Halpin, chairman, and by the Missionary Guild, Mrs. Merle Frady, president.

The program committee promises a 30-minute movie "The Hidden Heart" in sound and color, plus fun and festivity, which will include singing around the table and introductions by the toastmaster.

The supper is planned to start at 6 p.m. and will end about 8 o'clock. Members and friends of Community Church are invited to "bring a dish" and join their neighbors in having fun and fellowship, and seeing "The Hidden Heart."

HOW WELL DO YOU KNOW GREENBELT?

(Answers on page 4)

1. How did the city departments meet the problems raised by last Sunday night's snowfall?
2. Was any penalty imposed on drivers who went past road barricades set up for sled-ding?
3. Was the extra expense caused by the heavy snow covered in the budget?
4. Who is responsible for cleaning snow off the sidewalks?
5. Is there an ordinance requiring residents to remove snow from their walks?

Green Valleyites Meet January 21

Another meeting of all those interested in forming the Green Valley Homes Association will be held on Thursday night, January 21, at the GVHC office on Hamilton Place.

The Association is now being formed for Greenbelters and their friends who want to buy individually-owned homes on a 25-acre tract of land on the north side of Crescent Road near St. Hugh's.

Those attending the meeting will be given a summary of the arrangements and will have an opportunity to ask questions and discuss the project, fourth of a series of cooperative developments now being planned north of Greenbelt by Greenbelt Community Builders, Inc.

Citizens Association Revives Jan. 28 To Provide Forum For Community

This month will see the revival of one of Greenbelt's oldest organizations, the Greenbelt Citizens Association, it has been announced by Bruce Bowman, chairman of the group. GCA played a major role in the early development of Greenbelt, but became less active during the war years and suspended operations some years ago.

The Association will hold an important meeting at 8 p.m. on Thursday, January 28, in the home economics room at the Center School. One of the actions at the meeting will be election of GCA officers for the coming year. All adult residents of Greenbelt are automatically considered members of GCA, entitled to vote at its meetings. There are no membership dues or charges. Bowman says that new residents and old are heartily invited to attend the GCA meeting and to participate in the work of the Association.

Reason for revival of the group, Bowman says, is that a number of Greenbelt residents have expressed the need for a public forum for consideration of major issues. The concentration of important community problems, the possibilities growing out of local ownership of Greenbelt, and the civic interest and available talents of new families now digging their roots into the neighborhood were important considerations in the decision to resume GCA activities.

County Highway

One of the major problems to which residents have asked that the Citizens Association give attention is the danger that a new inter-county highway will be so located as to cut off a large section of the Greenbelt property, eliminating the Indian Springs recreation area and destroying an important part of Hale Walker's plan for development of the community. Walker, one of the nation's top city-planners, drew up the original layout for Greenbelt and mapped out development plans which would preserve its uniqueness and beauty.

Inaction on the part of residents led to the Washington-Baltimore Expressway's right of way being pushed by other property owners almost into the front yards of some Greenbelt homes, Bowman said. The Citizens Association will offer Greenbelters an opportunity to express themselves on the even greater dangers involved in the proposed location of the inter-county highway. Original plans for the highway provided that it would pass a little north of the Greenbelt Junior High School, cutting off only a small segment of land north of Southway, and in-

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GVHC Sets Special Budget Meeting On Jan. 27; Annual Election Mar. 9

By Russell Greenbaum

The annual membership meeting of the Greenbelt Veteran Housing Corporation, at which elections to the board of directors and the audit committee will be held, was scheduled for March 9 by the GVHC board at its meeting last Friday night.

Prior to this meeting a special membership meeting has been called for Wednesday night, January 27, at the Center school auditorium. This meeting is being held to enable members to discuss and ask questions concerning the 1954 GVHC budget and the new monthly charges.

Preparations for the annual elections are being made by the recently elected GVHC nominations and elections committee headed by Ralph S. Miller. This committee will establish rules and procedures for the elections and will present to the members 15 candidates in nomination for the nine positions on the board.

It is anticipated that the system of election used will be the present proportional representation or Hare system. At the last quarterly membership meeting the GVHC board proposed that this system, because of its alleged illegality in Maryland, be replaced by the simple majority system. Although a lack of quorum at that meeting prevented a vote on this, an informal vote revealed that a majority of the members there disapproved of any change. It requires approval by two-thirds of the members present to change the voting system.

Size of Quorum

One matter that will have to be settled at the annual meeting is the size of the voting quorum. The GVHC charter calls for a quorum of five percent of the membership, but a by-law amendment calls for the ten percent which is presently used. It has been discovered that the Maryland law does not permit the charter to be amended in this manner.

This means that the legal quorum must stand at five percent unless two-thirds of the membership agrees to change the charter to ten percent. The GVHC board by a majority of one voted to recommend to the membership that this change in the charter be made to permit a ten percent quorum.

Bryan Case

Another item on the agenda of the annual meeting will be a formal appeal to the membership by Allen A. Bryan, against whom legal action has been initiated by GVHC on the grounds that he conducts his moving business from his residence so as to constitute a public nuisance. A court ruling has ordered Bryan to show cause why an injunction should not be issued against him.

Maintenance

The maintenance committee, headed by board member Percy Andros, reported to the GVHC board that following the recent work on replacing the hot waer lines of the defense homes, the sod had not been replaced nor the holes refilled by the workmen. The board agreed to make certain that the GVHC maintenance crew took care of this matter, noting that it took time for the ground to settle before this could be done.

Lakeside Homeowners

Another item before the board was the formal request from Lakeside Homeowners, Inc., to purchase the 25-acre parcel of land which it is developing. This was unanimously approved by the board. The Lakeside group also requested an extension of its option on a second contiguous parcel of land bordering the lake for an additional year, but the board decided to table consideration of this matter pending further study.

Child Care Center

The board also voted unanimously to permit the Greenbelt Child Care Center to rent 41-B Ridge Road. This organization, which takes care of young children for working mothers, now occupies space in a Parkway apartment. The move will mean lower rent for them.

Women Voters Discuss State Welfare Jan. 20

The next meeting of the Greenbelt Unit of the League of Women Voters of Prince Georges County will be held Wednesday evening, January 20, at 8:15, at the home of Mrs. Lydia Novick, 45-S Ridge. Topic for discussion will be State Welfare. Members, visitors and newcomers from other counties, cities, and states are cordially invited to attend.

The League of Women Voters and the College Park Branch of the American Association of University Women have published a 1954 edition of "Know your County Government". This booklet, available from the unit chairman, Alberta Tompkins, at 15c a copy, contains information on all matters dealing with government in Prince Georges County. It also contains a list of elected and appointed officials, information which should prove valuable in view of this year's elections, which will include such county officials in addition to the governor of the state of Maryland.

Walton League Plans Installation Jan. 16

The Greenbelt Chapter of the Izaak Walton League will hold its installation of officers Saturday evening, January 16 at the Greenbelt Athletic Club House commencing at 8:30 p.m.

Following the installation there will be movies of the fishing rodeo and other conservation activities. Refreshments will be served. Anyone interested in the Izaak Walton activities is invited to come down and enjoy the evening.

Court Signs Coming

The long-awaited and long-desired court signs will soon be put up, Paul Campbell, GVHC manager, has announced. The signs, which will announce the numbers and names of the courts to passers-by, are now being made, and delivery is expected by the end of January.

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Greenbelt Going To The Dogs?

The controversy over whether Greenbelt homeowners should be allowed to keep dogs has now spilled over into the Metropolitan press. Last Sunday a leading Washington newspaper published a feature article on the dog question here. The story was based on the situation of one of the seven families who have been notified by GVHC's general counsel that they must get rid of their dogs, and it pointed out that court action may be required to settle the matter.

The legal problem is a difficult one, and the Cooperator does not intend to get involved in the legal merits of the matter. However, the Cooperator does believe that, whether or not GVHC has the legal right to prevent members of the corporation from keeping dogs in their homes, the presence of dogs in large numbers in Greenbelt would be extremely undesirable for several reasons. Furthermore, this newspaper also believes that dog-owners should be willing to abide by the will of the majority which has repeatedly and overwhelmingly expressed itself as opposed to dogs in Greenbelt homes.

Greenbelt cannot be validly compared with other communities of private homes. In the first place, in no other community of its size are there probably so many children. The signs at the entrance to the city announce a total of 3200 children, and doubtlessly this number is steadily increasing. There are probably only a handful of families who have no children at all or who are not planning to have them in the near future.

It is true that a well-trained dog or one accustomed to the companionship of children is generally no problem. However, there is no guarantee that every dog-owner or even most dog-owners will make certain that their dogs will never be a menace to children. And childrens deviltry can sometimes provoke the gentlest dog. In this case the answer is not to remove the child but to remove the dog since in Greenbelt, if no place else, children should have a priority over dogs.

Furthermore, although there has as yet been no serious problem with vicious dogs in Greenbelt, few dogs are entirely predictable. Many a seemingly harmless dog has suddenly and for some unexplainable reason turned vicious. One such dog going on a rampage can cause serious harm in an area where so many children are around.

A third problem is the dog who is friendly and harmless but persists in digging up or destroying the neighbor's garden, which is only a few feet away and often unprotected even by a hedge. This can be extremely exasperating to Greenbelt residents who take pride in their lawns and plants, as many do. Dogs that howl throughout the night are another nuisance. A large number of dogs would also mean a certain number running out into the streets and creating a hazard to motorists.

While these and other problems created by the presence of large numbers of dogs in a community have not yet reached serious proportions in Greenbelt, they will undoubtedly become serious should dogs be allowed to multiply by removing the restrictions against them. There are some who contend that the increase in the number of dogs would be very slight. No one can guess the amount, but certainly there will be far more than the 100 dogs already estimated to exist in Greenbelt. Parents, who are now able to refuse their children's request for dogs by pointing out that they are not permitted here, will not be able to withstand their pleas if the restriction should be removed—especially if other parents begin to obtain them. Since families obtain dogs primarily for their children, the potential dog population of Greenbelt is enormous.

Finally, the people who live in Greenbelt—and who presumably have come here to live because of certain specific benefits and advantages, particularly to children—should be willing to abide by the will of the majority, which has four times voted against dogs. It is possible that court action might nullify the GVHC member-supported ruling and bring victory to the dog-owners, but those persons would be selfishly ignoring the plainly and openly expressed wishes of their neighbors and the community in which they have chosen to make their home. (RG)

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By Dorothy McGee, phone 8083

Mr. and Mrs. Bernard Trattler, 1-H Southway had as their house guests her brother and sister-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. David Chick of Union City, New Jersey.

Corporal Kenneth Brown returned on January 7 to Fort Sill in Oklahoma from a two weeks' visit with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. James Brown, 11-G Southway. Kenneth will be coming home for good on February 19, when his army service is completed.

Accompanied by their husbands, members of the National Council of Jewish Women will celebrate the eighth anniversary of the Greenbelt chapter at a dinner in a Washington restaurant.

Mrs. Paul Winter, the former Dorothy Broadbent and nursery school teacher here a few years ago, was here from Ohio during the holidays, visiting her brother, Robert in Takoma Park. She stopped over in Greenbelt to see as many of her old friends as she could in a short time. She asks to be remembered, and sends her greetings.

Ralph Bartholomew, 1-B Southway returned last week from a week's stay in Prince Georges Hospital, having spent his New Year in bed. Please accept our good wish that no more of 1954 be passed in a hospital.

Mrs. Judy Myerson, 2-C Northway, who formerly acted with the Arena Stage players in Washington, is now appearing in their current production of "Ah, Wilderness!"

"Mark" Markfield, 17-C Ridge Road is away on a skiing trip in Canada, where the snow can be depended upon to stay for months on end. It would seem that Canada is sending some of her surplus snow our way, that is actually remaining for more than 24 hours.

We extend our gratitude to the City Council for their thoughtfulness in blocking off several streets in appreciation of our children's need to do their sleigh riding in safety. It was good to see the young-in-heart adults out at night with the children's sleds, to enjoy some coasting of their own.

To the friends of Mrs. Esther Chwalow: Mrs. Chwalow is leaving for Israel in March. All people interested in writing to her before she leaves, please contact Mrs. N. Gramms, 2-S Plateau Place or call GR. 3-6527 for Mrs. Chwalow's address.

Announcement is made of the marriage of Miss Janelle Grayson, Shelby, N.C., to Mr. David T. Cassidy, Greenbelt, on Saturday, January 2, 1954, at the McKendree Methodist Church, Washington, D. C.

Joint PTA Meeting Jan. 25 To Discuss TV

"Television and Your Child" will be the topic of the joint meeting of the three Greenbelt parent-teacher associations, Monday, January 25, at the Center school. The speaker will be Dr. Franklin Dunham, chief of the radio and television division of the U.S. Office of Education.

The junior band will play from 8 to 8:30, at which time Dr. Dunham will be introduced. Refreshments will be served.

Baptist Chapel Plans Dedication Of Infants

The Baptists of Greenbelt plan their first service of dedication of infants Sunday morning. Dr. Wm. J. Crowder, Acting Pastor, will preach at the 11 a.m. Worship Service on the theme "His Parents Went." The dedication of infants will follow the message. The singing of the Children's Choir will be a special feature. All services are held in Center School.

GREENBELT BAPTIST

Meeting in Center School
Rev. Wm. J. Crowder, Ph.D.,
Acting Pastor
GR. 3-4844

Sunday, January 17 - 9:45 a.m., Sunday School. J. S. Stewart, superintendent. Classes for all ages. 11 a.m., Morning Worship. Sermon, "His Parents Went." Dedication of infants will follow this message. Nursery for babies and small children maintained during Sunday School and Morning Worship Service. 7 p.m., Baptist Training Fellowship for entire family. Mrs. J. S. Stewart, director. 8 p.m., Evening Worship. Sermon, "Our Church." Thursday, 8 p.m., Mid-Week Service, room 201, Center School. The Pastor is leading in "Studies in Psalms" by Yates.

Saturday, 3 p.m., Children's Choir rehearsal at 34-C Ridge. Mrs. Roy C. Thomas, director. Children 5 years and older invited. Phone GR. 3-2977.

HEBREW SERVICES

Rabbi C. Waldman

Regular weekly services of the Jewish Community Center will be held Friday, January 15 at 8 p.m. in the home of Rabbi C. Waldman, 18-B Ridge.

Candle lighting time is 4:32 p.m.

Girl Scout Leaders Meet January 18

The next district meeting of the Girl Scout organization of Greenbelt will be held Monday evening, January 18, at 8:30 p.m. in the social room of the Center School.

Leaders and assistant leaders, troop committee members, and interested adults are urged to attend. In addition to the new District Chairman, Pearl Ellerin, who was elected in November, remaining officers will be elected at this meeting.

Basketball Workshop

Sixty-five boys participated in the first session of the Boys Basketball Workshop conducted by the Prince Georges County Recreation Department at Northwestern High School gym, Saturday, January 9. Basic fundamentals of passing, dribbling, and shooting were taught by Robert Foster, Northwestern High Basketball coach.

The next session of the Workshop, which is open to all boys in the County ages 9 to 13, will be held Saturday, January 16 from 1 to 3 p.m. Additional fundamentals of basketball, game tactics, and rules will be taught. Final session of the Workshop will be held Saturday, January 30, 1 to 3 p.m.

Those boys participating in the opening session were divided into small groups and individual instructions were given by the varsity and junior varsity Northwestern High School basketball team under Mr. Foster's direction. The program was concluded with basketball relay games for the boys and a scrimmage between the varsity and junior varsity teams.

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Tuesday, January 19 - Christian School in the Nation's Capital at Calvary Baptist Church.

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Harry B. Miles, Associate

January 17 - Session of the Sunday School, 9:30 a.m. Richard Hoffman, superintendent. Classes for all ages. Worship service, 11 a.m. Sermon by Mr. Miles, Associate Pastor. Special music by the choir. Methodist Youth Fellowship, 6 p.m. at the Chapel, Woodlandway. Mr. Miles will have charge of the service.

January 20 - Meeting of the Official Board, 8 p.m.

GREENBELT LUTHERAN CHURCH

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Sunday, January 17 - 9:45 a.m., Sunday School and adult Bible Class. Classes are held for all ages. Raymond Carriere, superintendent. 8:30 and 11 a.m., Church services. A nursery is maintained for the benefit of parents with small children.

Tuesday, January 19 - 8 p.m., Meeting of all the voters of the congregation. The budget will be presented at this meeting.

Youth Symposium Set For Monday, Jan. 18

A Youth Symposium will take place on Monday, January 18, at 8:15 p.m. in the Bladensburg Junior High School, Edmonston and Annapolis Rds. Discussion topic will be youth problems and questions of today. This is the first time a symposium of youth problems and a "look into the future" has been held in Prince Georges County.

The panel of experts will consist of: Harry Byrd, former president of the University of Maryland; Honorable Theodore L. Miazga, Judge, Juvenile Court, Prince Georges County; Rabbi Morris A. Sandhaus, Chaplain, Veterans' Administration and former Rabbi of Greenbelt Jewish Community Center; and Archie H. Cohen, Member of Board of Review, General Services Administration.

Poetry Corner

You may look at youth
and marvel
how it feels to be so free
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moment
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Ah, how eager
is their seeking—
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"Mark."

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Shall the Indian Springs picnic grounds be buried, the community bisected, by the new inter-county highway?

What can be done to clean up, spruce up our community?

Should we have a program to welcome newcomers to Greenbelt and bring them into active participation in community affairs?

How can Greenbelt play a more important role in County affairs, enjoy more County benefits?

Who shall be the new officers of the Greenbelt Citizens Association?

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Weidberg Admitted To Maryland Bar

Harry Weidberg, a member of the District of Columbia Bar since 1954, has recently been admitted to practice before the Maryland Bar.

Weidberg, a Greenbelt resident since 1942, has been a member of most of the civic organizations in Greenbelt and has been particularly active in the Jewish Community Center. As Chairman of its Board of Trustees last year, his efforts to solicit both money and materials for the JCC Building fund have been largely instrumental in furthering the progress of the building now under construction.

Although Harry spent his youthful years in New York, his college days were spent at the University of Mississippi where he was awarded a B.A. in Economics. His education was continued at American University in the District where he obtained his Master's Degree in Economics. Always interested in the subject of law, Harry then obtained his LL.B. at National University. He has been a practicing attorney since 1946 and maintains an office at 1311 G Street N.W. in the District.

County Girl Scouts Annual Meeting Jan. 18

The annual meeting of the Girl Scout Council of Prince Georges County will be held Monday, January 18, from 9:30 to 12:30, at the Riverdale Presbyterian Church on Queens Chapel Road in University Park.

The meeting will include election of officers, presentation of proposed changes in by-laws for Council action; reports of functional committee, speaker, and coffee hour.

Guest speaker for the meeting will be Mrs. Adolphus Staton, a worker in Girl Scouts for many years who has kept up with the current and local trend of Scouting.

Although this meeting is for all adult scouts, including troop committee members and consultants, a welcome is extended to anyone interested in Girl Scouting.

At the last meeting of the Girl Scout Senior Planning Board, plans were made to again have a Winter Weekend at Camp Rockwood, the Girl Scout Camp near Great Falls, Maryland. The weekend of February 5, 6, and 7 was selected as the date. This camping trip is open to all Senior Girl Scouts in Prince Georges County and is eagerly awaited by those who have attended in previous years.

CORRECTION

In last week's Cooperator city manager Charles McDonald was incorrectly quoted as saying that teen-agers obtained liquor at a GCS party held at the American Legion. As a matter of fact, GCS did not serve liquor or beer at the party and the American Legion does not sell liquor. The Legion did sell beer at the party, but it does not sell beer to teen-agers. If teen-agers did obtain beer there, it must have been bought for them by older persons.

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Wednesday, Jan. 20, 1954

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1. At 11 p.m. the Police Department called Elliott "Pappy" Sines, head of public works, and the road scraper got into action. The scraper was going around the town as late as Tuesday, and sanding of slippery places was taken care of, too. With Recreation Director Donnie Wolfe cooperating, the police barricaded certain street sections for sledding, and the police on patrol, Sines and Wolfe kept in touch with each other and the city switchboard through the new radio system.

2. Road barricades were set up with the cooperation of residents, and no penalties were invoked for moving a barricade to get in or out of a court. Police Chief Panagoulis reports that everyone was most helpful in working for the safety and pleasure of the sleighriders.

3. Extra expense caused by heavy snow is included in the roads program as "extra help."

4. There is no ordinance requiring residents to clear snow from their walks. The city is responsible for clearing snow from the public walks or sanding them where needed. This includes the walks leading to the center school.

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terfering very little with Hale Walker's plan for the city. From a tax point of view, Bowman stated, improper location of the highway would eliminate many attractive home sites from availability for development, thus from sharing in the city tax burden.

Possible Ventures

Bowman cited numerous other tasks which he believes that GCA should undertake, such as keeping trucks off the Laurel-Washington section of the Washington-Baltimore Freeway; working for Greyhound or Trailway bus service from Greenbelt to Washington and Baltimore via the Freeway; sponsoring a new building for a community youth center; developing a program for acquainting new residents with the community and getting them to participate in community affairs; providing Greenbelt with a stronger voice in County affairs. He believes that GCA can perform for the City Council some of the functions that the CVHC and GCS membership meetings perform for the boards of those co-ops - providing a public forum, initiating proposals of interest to the citizens, serving as a sounding board for Council proposals.

Present Plans

At the meeting it is proposed that the residents present elect a chairman, a vice-chairman, a secretary, a treasurer, a spokesman for the group to represent GCA at City Council meetings, a representative to the County Council of Citizens Associations, and chairmen of committees to consider such subjects as location of the inter-county highway, steps to be taken to clean up the city, methods of welcoming new residents and bringing them into active participation in the community, and other subjects of concern to those present.

Historically, GCA played a major role in the development of Greenbelt and its organizations. Greenbelt Consumer Services saw its origin in a committee of the Citizens Association; plans for purchase of the community, for construction of new homes in Greenbelt, and for numerous currently active Greenbelt organizations came out of GCA proposals or committee activities. GCA, working through the County Federation of Citizens Associations, brought about adoption of the County's milk-control regulations, replacing outmoded regulations which were far below accepted public health standards. The new regulations protect every resident of Greenbelt as well as of other communities in Prince Georges County.

GVHC

SPECIAL

MEMBERSHIP MEETING

Wednesday, January 27,
Center School Auditorium
8:15 p.m.

1954 Charges and Budget
will be discussed.

3rd Broadcast Sunday On School Transport

On Sunday, January 17 at 3:30 p.m., station WGAY will broadcast the third of six radio programs sponsored by the Boards of Education of Prince Georges and Montgomery Counties.

This program will have been tape-recorded on the Tuesday afternoon preceding the Sunday broadcast before a group of invited parents from each county at Carole Highland Elementary School. The topic will be "Why Can't They Walk to School?" The discussion will center around the policies governing the transportation of school children. Since this is an expensive service, the problem of keeping costs at a minimum is very important to parents and taxpayers.

Moderator of the discussion panel will be Glenn Featherstone, director of school administration, U.S. Office of Education. The panel will include John Heim, supervisor of transportation, Prince Georges County; T. H. Owen Knight, supervisor of pupil personnel, Montgomery County; George Hammond, parent from Prince Georges County; Officer Charles Seek, School Safety Patrols, Montgomery County.

Radio Station WGAY, Silver Spring, has made free time available on their Sunday Community programs which are approved by the Boards of Education of Montgomery and Prince Georges Counties. Mrs. Joseph S. Yuill is coordinator; Leo Qrso is technical advisor; Miss Rowannetta Allen is staff advisor from Prince Georges County; and Mrs. Louis Walker is staff advisor from Montgomery County.

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